

## General Assembly

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"AN ACT REVISING CERTAIN ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATUTES AND CONCERNING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS BY PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH INVESTMENT FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH THE STATE TREASURER AND MEETINGS OF CAUCUSES UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT."

- In line 336, after "subsection" and before the comma insert "and
- 2 <u>subsection (f) of section 9-333j, as amended by this act</u>"
- 3 In line 370, strike "nor any [member" and insert "[nor] any member"
- 4 in lieu thereof
- 5 In line 371, strike the closing bracket and insert "nor any" in lieu
- 6 thereof
- 7 In line 375, after "firm" and before "." insert ", except that the
- 8 prohibition in this subsection shall not apply to an incumbent State
- 9 Treasurer who establishes an exploratory committee or candidate
- 10 committee for any public office other than State Treasurer"

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11 After line 677, add the following:

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"Sec. 18. Subsection (f) of section 9-333j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2003, and applicable to primaries and elections held on or after said* date):

If an exploratory committee has been established by a candidate pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-333f, the campaign treasurer of the committee shall file a notice of intent to dissolve it with the appropriate authority not later than fifteen days after the candidate's declaration of intent to seek nomination or election to a particular public office. The campaign treasurer shall also file a statement identifying all contributions received or expenditures made by the exploratory committee since the previous statement and the balance on hand or deficit, as the case may be. In the event of a surplus, the campaign treasurer shall, not later than the filing of the statement, distribute the surplus to the candidate committee established pursuant to said section, except that in the case of a surplus of an exploratory committee established for nomination or election to an office other than the General Assembly or a state office, as defined in subsection (e) of section 9-333l, (1) the campaign treasurer may only distribute to the candidate committee for nomination or election to the General Assembly or state office, as so defined, of such candidate that portion of such surplus which is in excess of the total contributions which the exploratory committee received from lobbyists or political committees established by lobbyists, during any period in which the prohibitions in said subsection (e) of section 9-3331 apply and (2) any remaining amount shall be returned to all such lobbyists and political committees established by or on behalf of lobbyists, on a prorated basis of contribution, or distributed to any charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended. If the candidate decides not to seek nomination or election to any office, the campaign treasurer shall, within fifteen days after such decision,

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comply with the provisions of this subsection and distribute any surplus in the manner provided by this section for political committees other than those formed for ongoing political activities, except that if the surplus is from an exploratory committee established by the State Treasurer, any portion of the surplus that is received from a principal of an investment services firm or a political committee established by such firm shall be returned to such principal or committee on a prorated basis of contribution. In the event of a deficit, the campaign treasurer shall file a statement thirty days after the decision or declaration with the proper authority and, thereafter, on the seventh day of each month following if on the last day of the previous month there was an increase or decrease in such deficit in excess of five hundred dollars from that reported on the last statement filed. The campaign treasurer shall file supplemental statements until the deficit is eliminated. If the exploratory committee does not have a surplus or deficit, the statement filed after the candidate's declaration or decision shall be the last required statement. As used in this subsection, "principal of an investment services firm" has the meaning set forth in subsection (f) of section 9-333n, as amended by this act."

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